Protection Order Committee Judicial Conference of Indiana

Minutes

June 27, 2008

The Protection Order Committee met at the Indiana Judicial Center on Friday, June 27, 2008 from 12:00 noon – 3:45 p.m.

- 1. <u>Members present.</u> Therese M. Brown, Stephen D. Clase, Katherine J. Garza, Ann L. Jochim, Jose D. Salinas, Kim VanValer, Cheryl A. Williamson, and Thomas H. Busch, Chair.
- 2. <u>Staff present</u>. Jeffrey Bercovitz and Tom Jones provided the committee with staff assistance.
- 3. <u>Guests present.</u> Pat Hess, Consultant, Entara Technology Group, for JTAC; was also present.
- 4. <u>Minutes approved</u>. The minutes for the committee on April 25, 2008 were approved.
- 5. <u>Protection Order Forms</u>.
 - a. Committee members reviewed Protection, No Contact, Workplace Violence and Child Protection Order forms revised to reflect statutory and other changes effective July 1, 2008. They agreed to send notice of these changes once they are posted on the protection order website.
 - b. Staff agreed to prepare a new No Contact Order form based on P.L. 104-2008, Ind. Code § 35-38-1-30 to prohibit contact from a person during an executed sentence.
- 6. Participation in local domestic violence review team. Judge Busch reported he was recently approached to serve as a member of a local domestic violence fatality review team. Jeffrey Bercovitz reported in Stivers v. Knox County Department of Public Welfare, 482 N.E.2d 748 (Ind. Ct. App. 1985) the local judge was prohibited from serving on a child protection team since the judge could later hear the litigation involving the protection team case.
- 7. Future meeting dates.
 - a. Members of the committee agreed meeting notifications would occur via email only.
 - b. Committee members agreed to meet again on: Friday, August 22, 2008 and October 24, 2008 all from 12:00 Noon 3:30 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center. The committee agreed not to hold a July meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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